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1. [redacted] LIAISON Received a call from Dawne Miller, House Select Committee on Assassinations staff, who requested that a courier go by 3381 House Annex #2 to pick up several envelopes for CIA. [redacted] has been advised.

2. [redacted] FOIA/LIAISON IPS brought to my attention yesterday the fact that they did not acknowledge a letter addressed to Mr. Wilson from Senator Adlai E. Stevenson (D., Ill.) dated 4 April 1978, nor was OLC alerted to the letter. I called the Senator's office and spoke with Ms. Nancy Clark who, after checking with various individuals in the Senator's office, could not determine who was handling the case. She called me back to request that the Agency return the original correspondence and the Agency's response to [redacted] I apologized for the oversight in not responding to Senator Stevenson's letter and suggested that in the future it would be helpful if all such inquiries from the Senator's office be directed to the Office of the Legislative Counsel and we would follow up on their behalf. She agreed to this. The correspondence is being sent today.

3. [redacted] FOIA/LIAISON I called Mr. Mark Klugman, in Representative Theodore Weiss' (D., N.Y.) office, to advise that the Agency had sent a letter to [redacted] on 12 June 1978. This was a follow up to the Congressman's letter sent to Gene F. Wilson dated 15 June 1978 for a status report and causes for delay in responding to [redacted] Mr. Klugman thanked me for the call and did not ask for copies of our correspondence to [redacted]

4. [redacted] LIAISON Jeannie McNally, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence staff, called requesting that we send a courier to pick up a letter for Mr. Bob Gambino, Director of Security, requesting a clearance on Navy Captain [redacted] who the Committee would like to bring on board Monday, 3 July 1978.

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5. [] LIAISON Called Lex Schnee, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, to ask whether the Department of State had provided the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence a copy of the [] cable which reported Fidel Castro's denial of Cuban involvement in the invasion of Zaire. Schnee told me that the Department had not provided a copy to the Committee but had no objection to doing so. Subsequently, based on a request from [] NFAC/CSS, I called Schnee to request the Department's permission for the Director to give copies of the [] cable to the Committee during the Director's appearance before the Committee at 1515 hours on 29 June. Schnee said that he had no problem with this and asked only that we remind the Committee that the cable is still classified.

6. [] LIAISON Tom Latimer, Staff Director, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, called asking whether I had a copy of the White House press release on the invasion of Zaire and the Cuban involvement in that invasion. I told Latimer that I have a copy of the memorandum and added that it had been sent down to him on 16 June. I added that I would be pleased to send another copy down in the event that Latimer was unable to locate his copy.

7. [] LIAISON Per her earlier request, sent via courier to Marge McCaleb, in the office of Representative Ray Roberts (D., Texas), a copy of the study entitled "A Study of Climatological Research as it Pertains to Intelligence Problems."

8. [] LIAISON Received a call from Jim Locher, Senate Armed Services Committee staff, who said that he sent back yesterday the listing of CIA finished intelligence on East Asia during the last several years with a request for 28 documents. He wished to know how long it would take to compile all the documents for him. After checking with NFAC/CSS, I called Locher back and told him that they had not yet received the listing and that when they did we would have to see how much work this job will require given the size of the documents, the dates, etc. I told him I would get back to him with an estimate shortly.

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14. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called Committee on Human Resources Subcommittee on Health and Scientific Research to check on whether S. 2579 the "Biomedical Research" bill had passed on the Senate floor. Mr. Wenger, Subcommittee staff, was unavailable, but the person I spoke with was able to inform me that the bill did pass on the Senate floor last evening.

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15. [REDACTED] LIAISON Took a call from Larry Sulc, Minority Consultant, House International Relations Subcommittee on International Organizations. Sulc said that he and Beverley Lumpkin, of the Subcommittee staff, would like to talk with us concerning the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence news release of Thursday, 22 June on "Activities of Friendly Foreign Intelligence Services in the U.S.: A Case Study" which concerns the KCIA. Sulc said that some of the material in the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence report raised questions as to whether the Subcommittee on International Organizations had been accorded access to all pertinent information on certain points. I told Sulc that we would be happy to talk with him and Ms. Lumpkin about it.

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16. [REDACTED] LIAISON Had a series of conversations with Bill Miller and David Bushong, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, concerning the Director's testimony before the Committee on 7 June and information on [REDACTED]

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17. [REDACTED] LIAISON Tom Latimer, Staff Director, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, called and in response to his query I said I sent him the Herb Hetu, PA, press release on "Cuban and Soviet Assistance to the Katangan Insurgents" on 15 June.

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Latimer also asked that a briefing by the Director be scheduled on [REDACTED]

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18. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called Naomi Sweeney, OMB, and told her of the problems we were having in getting the OMB letter to reflect the Administration's position on the role of the ambassador amendment, informing her that James McIntyre, D/OMB, agreed with the Director's position but somehow this word has not gotten down to the drafters of the letter. She promised to do what she could but said maybe we would have to wait until conference, but she did agree with me that obviously it would be much better if the letter from the Administration reflected the position that OMB agreed to and that no comment would appear to be viewed as an endorsement of the amendment.

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